

DAUGHTERS READY FOR 13TH CONGRESS

Mrs. Fairbanks' Gavel Falls Tomorrow Morning.

AN IMPORTANT SESSION

Over 2,000 Members Expected to Participate in Laying of Continental Hall Cornerstone.

The thirteenth Continental Congress of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution will open tomorrow morning in Chase's Theater, with Mrs. Charles Warren Fairbanks, president general of the organization, in the chair. Three sessions will be held daily, and the congress will continue until next Saturday night, at which time it is believed many important matters pertaining to the society will have been disposed of.

This year's congress will be notable in the history of the society, for it will bring to the National Capital more than 2,000 Daughters of the American Revolution and affiliated bodies to participate in the laying of the cornerstone of the new Continental Hall. This event will be the most important one of the week and will occur on Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock.

Sessions Will Be Public.

The sessions, unless on motion, will be public, but none other than members of the congress will be admitted to the floor. Alternates will be assigned to seats in the balcony, and visitors to the convention will only be admitted to the gallery.

No elections will take place this year. The only ceremony of this kind will be the verification of State regents. This is, however, the voting year on all amendments to the constitution, and some interesting business may be expected when this comes up.

The program for the week has been definitely outlined, and the opening of the congress at 10 o'clock tomorrow morning, until the closing meeting on Saturday night, the Daughters will find many things to occupy their time. Special business meetings of committees and State regents will be held during the congress, although the time for these has not been set.

The Opening Day.

Mrs. Fairbanks will call the congress to order, and the opening prayer is to be offered by the chaplain general, Mrs. Teunis S. Hamlin. Mrs. Fairbanks will then, according to custom, deliver her address of welcome to the delegates, and after the response by Mrs. Maria Purdy Peck, of Iowa, the business of the congress will be immediately taken up. No session will be held tomorrow night, as the trustees of the Corcoran Gallery of Art have extended an invitation to the delegates to visit the gallery and view the collection.

Tuesday promises to be the most interesting day of the week, for it will mark the laying of the cornerstone of the new Continental Hall, which is to be a memorial to the deeds of Revolutionary heroes.

Ceremonies at Site.

The State regents will form an open column through which the president general and members of the national board will pass, thus signifying that the board is supported by the State regents. Mrs. Fairbanks will make the principal address in the afternoon, and there will be speeches by the delegates to the organization. Music will be furnished by the United States Marine Band, and the new flag presented to the committee of the Sons of the American Revolution will be formally raised.

Under the cornerstone, which is to be laid with Masonic exercises, in which the famous "Washington" gavel will be used, various relics of the past will be placed. Among these will be a copy of the Times of February 21, 1901, containing the first complete description of the proposed hall and the first photograph of the building ever published. Copies of the daily papers, and of the charter and constitution, with pictures of the hall, insignia of the society, and general literature pertaining to the organization, will be placed in a copper box and placed in the stone.

The Business Meeting.

Previous to the ceremonies of laying the cornerstone, the regular meeting of the society will be held. Reports of national officers and of State regents will be made. The regular business session is to be held on Wednesday morning, when various reports will be presented to the congress. Among these are those of the standing committee, the report of the magazine committee, together with those of the editor and business manager of the official organ of the society, the "American Monthly Magazine."

An interesting address is scheduled for Wednesday, when Judge John Goode will speak on the preservation of historic Jamestown and the restoration of the Folsom Church, the little edifice in Virginia for which George Washington drew the plans, and which was built by him.

On Thursday, nominations will be made for national officers, and for the office of editor and business manager of the "American Monthly Magazine," reading of the minutes will occupy much of the time, and, should the session not be consumed, new business will be taken up.

Headquarters in F Street.

During the next two days the reading of the minutes will be continued and such new business as may come before the Congress will be disposed of.

The headquarters of the national society is at 922 F Street, and from 9 o'clock in the morning until 5 o'clock p. m. the rooms will be open for the convenience of visiting members of the Daughters of the American Revolution.

History of Daughters.

One of the most prominent and active women in the national society of the Daughters of the American Revolution is Mrs. Mary S. Lockwood, one of the founders of the society, and now assistant historian general of the organization.

The society was formed on October 11, 1882, at the Stratmore Arms, a quaint hostelry in the Twelfth Street, and where Mrs. Lockwood was then living. Mrs. Lockwood was the first historian general, and since that time she has served in various offices and has given much loyal and efficient service to the organization.

Mrs. Lockwood to Speak.

Mrs. Lockwood has been particularly interested in the Continental Hall movement, and will be one of the speakers at the ceremonies on Tuesday afternoon. In 1882, Mrs. Lockwood was commissioned-at-large to the World's Columbian Exposition. She has won much recognition through her writings and her "Historic Homes of Washington" is regarded as an authority on noted men and their homes at the Capital City. Another work, "Handbook of Ceramic Art," is also widely known.

Mrs. Lockwood is well known in local club and literary circles, and is president of the International Press Women's Union.

MRS. MARY S. LOCKWOOD.



Assistant Historian General of the D. A. R. It Was in Her Residence That the Order Was Founded on October 11, 1880.

REPUBLICANS WILL ELECT DELEGATES

To the Montgomery County Convention.

ROCKVILLE BASEBALL TEAM

Organized for the Season of 1904—"An Evening With the Birds."

ROCKVILLE, Md., April 15.—Republican primaries to select delegates to a county convention will be held throughout this county on Saturday, April 20. The county convention will choose delegates to represent the county at the Sixth district Congressional convention, to be held at this place on May 10, and will also name delegates to attend the State convention to be held in Baltimore on May 12. There will be no contests in any of the districts.

The Rockville baseball team has organized for the season of 1904, as follows: S. Dawson and Eugene Harris, catchers; C. Harris and Walker, pitchers; Day, first base; Russell Brewer, second base; Nick Brewer, third base; Eddie Dawson, shortstop; George Kelch, left field; Shaw, center field; Reeves Bradlock, right field; Roger Shaw, captain, and Russell Brewer, manager.

"An Evening With the Birds" will be the subject of an entertainment to be given in the town hall here next Tuesday night, by Prof. Wood, of Washington, D. C., under the auspices of the Ladies' Society of the Baptist Church. Prof. Wood is a naturalist who has spent many years among the feathered occupants of the groves and fields. His "Evening With the Birds" is said to be an entertainment of more than usual merit.

The board of county school commissioners is making preparations looking to the erection of the \$3,000 high school building at this place which was provided for by a bill passed at the last session of the Maryland Legislature. This building, in all probability, will be a two-story and basement brick structure, with steam heat, and all necessary fixtures.

Mrs. Thomas J. Packard is visiting her father, Rev. Dr. Gardner, in Howard county.

The Hon. Spencer C. Jones is visiting his daughter, Mrs. Thomas R. Falvy, in New Orleans. Mr. Jones will spend a month or so in the South.

Mr. and Mrs. David Humbird, of Hudson, Wis., are stopping with their sister, Mrs. Armstrong.

Ella Welsh and Mrs. Ridgeley Brown, of Baltimore, who have been visiting in Rockville, returned to Rockville on Thursday last.

Miss Jester, a recent guest of Rose Armstrong, has returned to Forest Glen Seminary.

Walter Higgins, son of John J. Higgins, sr., of this place, is now at St. Louis, where he holds a position during the coming World's Fair at that place.

Norton Taylor, of Virginia, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Philip Stansbury.

MILL SUPERINTENDENT DROWNED IN RACE

GLENS FALLS, N. Y., April 16.—A C. Derby, superintendent of the Luzerne sawmill, was drowned last evening. This morning his body had not been recovered.

The mill is a water power plant, and last evening Derby entered the wheel pit to repair the shafting. Making a misstep he fell into the mill race. The dead man was sixty-one years old.

15 BILLS IN 47 MINUTES.

NEW YORK, April 16.—Mayor McClellan has given hearings on eighteen bills passed by the Legislature, and did it all in forty-seven minutes. Justice Roesch favored a bill to increase the salaries of the stenographers of the municipal courts from \$2,000 to \$2,500 a year. H. G. Chapman, of the City Service Reform Association, protested against a bill permitting the physicians of the city department to rank as battalion chiefs.

LAST CHANCE TO REDEEM PROPERTY

The Delinquent 1902 Taxes Must Be Paid Tomorrow.

PRINTED NOTICES WITHHELD

Complaint Made Over Failure of Assessor's Office to Send Them Out.

Tomorrow is the last day on which those persons who had their property sold in 1902 for delinquent taxes can redeem the forfeited houses and lots. Unless they put up the amounts for which their property was sold, together with the incidental expenses of the transactions, the lots and houses will pass into the irremediable hands.

Some complaint has been made on account of the failure of the Assessor's Office, regulated by saying that these notices of the time that the period of possible land redemption will expire. To this criticism, Mr. Darnelle, the District Assessor, replied by saying that these notices of the time that the period of possible land redemption will expire. To this criticism, Mr. Darnelle, the District Assessor, replied by saying that these notices of the time that the period of possible land redemption will expire.

Mr. Darnelle's System.

The custom of warning the taxpayers of the last day of property redemption was inaugurated by Mr. Darnelle four years ago. In carrying out this procedure, an average of \$30 a year was spent by the District. When it was first begun, it was made the subject of protest.

When it was finally aired in a public hearing before the District Commissioners, the decision of the authorities was that it was a good practice, and Mr. Darnelle was commended for his reform in this line.

The objections to it were made by certain out of town firms who buy up delinquent property as a regular yearly investment. They claimed that these repeated warnings to the delinquent taxpayers resulted in so much property being redeemed that it was hard to make their dealings pay.

Sent Out Notices.

In spite of these contentions, however, it was thought to be the best plan to take all the precautions possible to keep the local property in local hands. Consequently, the Assessor continued his practice of sending out the notices.

This year the notifications were not sent out, because of the immense amount of work before the clerks of the office. It is claimed that this will not result in much loss, if any, as most people are apt to know if their property is in danger of being sold finally. The Assessor has notified a large number of the negroes and ignorant whites of the redemption period, so that these classes will not suffer.

It has been announced that the practice of sending out the notices to all the persons interested will be resumed next year.

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Mine Owners Protest Ruling of Department

Method of Settling Claims When Surveys Conflict Causes the Tying Up of Much Money in the West.

A gigantic wall has arisen from mine owners of Colorado and other Western States because of the ruling of the Interior Department upon the method of settling mining claims when there is a conflict in the surveys. No end of money is tied up because companies interested in mine claims do not know "where they are at," and vigorous complaints are being made daily.

Under the existing order of things, a man may stake out a claim, have it surveyed and approved by the surveyor general of the State in which it is located, and then have another man come along and locate a claim on top of it and obtain from the courts a decision which says the first claim is not where it was, but anywhere from a quarter of a mile or a mile to the north, east, south, or west thereof. This is Irish, but it describes the situation.

How System Works.

Mr. Jones finds a streak of ore. He stakes out a claim. Then he employs a surveyor to make the proper survey. These surveyors are appointed and duly authorized by the Government, but are paid by the owners of the property they survey. When one gets a contract he goes to the surveyor general, who gives him the authority to make the survey.

He goes over the ground carefully, surveys it and puts up the monuments and then reports that the claim of Jones is of such and such dimensions and is so many degrees in this or that direction from one of the four corners of the township in which it is located. This report, when approved by the surveyor general, is accepted as official and is put on record as the proper description

of the size, shape and location of the Jones claim.

Smith, however, strikes ore also. Smith's strip is in the same township in which Jones' is located. Smith's surveyor reports the location of Smith's claim. By his report Smith's claim lands squarely on top of Jones'. Then there is a row. An investigation follows, and it is shown that the Jones claim was not where the surveyor said it was, but had a mile away, because of a mistake made by the surveyor.

Very often Jones' claim will be described as located on such and such a tie line, as the line running from the claim to the nearest corner of the township is called, when in reality it is half a mile off the line. Smith's actual claim may be on the tie line, and in no way interfering with Jones' claim, and yet, because Jones' claim is officially described in the Government plats as being on the tie line, Smith is unable to get out a patent. Jones refuses to allow another survey, because he fears that Brown may have a patent for the ground actually occupied by his claim, so the matter goes to court, where witnesses are heard and other evidence is received and the true location and description of the claims are settled.

Many Cases in Courts.

There are a number of such suits before the courts now, and two or three cases before Secretary Hitchcock. One company of New York capitalists was forced to close up its works in 1899 because of such a conflict of claims, and to allow the idle mine upon which was being spent \$20,000 a year. Its monthly bill for machinery and supplies averaged \$1,000, and they were spending a great deal of money for other samples.

The surveyor general "stood pat" on his "official" survey, although it was proven that the mine was not where it was described as being, and the owners had to go into court to settle the question.

Happy Couples Hasten To the Altar of Hymen

Particularly During Easter Week Was Run on Clerk's Office Heavy—Even "Unlucky Friday" Holds Out No Terrors.

Nothing seems to deter the people of Washington and the near-by counties of Maryland and Virginia from proceeding in the even tenor of their way on the road to matrimony.

Neither the war in the East, the excitement of a Presidential election year, the racing of the ponies at Benning, nor anything else stops the march of the procession to the matrimonial altar.

Easter Week Popular.

A glance at the records in the office of the clerk of the Supreme Court of the District, where licenses to marry are obtained, shows that there is particularly true number of licenses issued during Easter week. In looking over the records it will be seen that there is only a difference of two between the number of marriage licenses issued last Easter week and in Easter week the year previous.

In the week beginning with Easter Monday, the number of marriage licenses issued is 59, or two less than the number issued during Easter week in 1903. On only one day in Easter week last year was the number of licenses greater than any day in the week just passed. It was on Wednesday, April 14, 1903, the number of licenses issued being 29, as against 29 issued on Monday of last week. On Tuesday and Wednesday the number issued was, respectively, 24 and 26, as against 18 on Easter Monday last year.

SHARON MILL CLOSES.

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